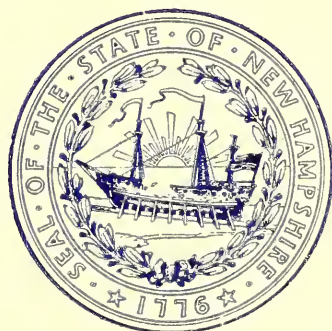



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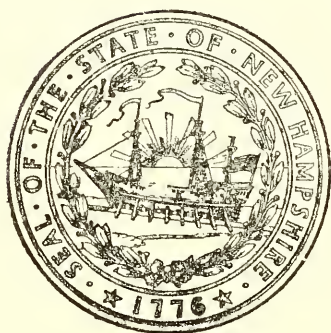


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Selectmen
Town of Groton
Groton, N. H.

March 6, 1973

I have examined the balance sheet of the Town of Groton as of December 31, 1972, and the related statements of Revenues and expenditures and Surplus for the year then ended. I have also examined the Library Fund and the Trustees Funds as of December 31, 1972. My examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as were considered necessary in the circumstances.

In my opinion the accompanying balance sheet and statements of Revenues and Expenditures and Surplus present fairly the financial position of the Town of Groton at December 31, 1972 and the results of its operations for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applicable to government entities applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year, except for the change (in which I concur) regarding year end accruals as described in Note A to the Financial Statements.

PAUL M. BUCK.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Town of Groton

12/31/72

Note A:

On December 31, 1972 the election was made by the Town to fully accrue all Revenue and Expenses outstanding at December 31, 1972 and applicable to the year then ended. This constituted a departure on consistency with prior years in which they had used a modified accrual system, accruing those items due or receivable from governmental divisions.

Note B:

As is consistent in municipal accounting, the Town of Groton expenses all expenditures for capital equipment in the year of acquisition.

Note C:

Per conversation with George Karkheck, Chairman of Selectmen, the Town had no contingent liabilities of a material nature as of December 31, 1972.

TOWN OFFICERS

Moderator
RALPH DILL

Town Clerk
BETTY ANN deMELLO

Selectmen
GEORGE KARKHECK
C. DENNIS MATTHEWS from March to 10/12/72
WENDELL LaFRENIERE from 10/12/72
FRAZER NEWBERRY from March to 7/13/72
FRED HARRIS from 7/13/72

Road Agent
EDWARD SMITH

Tax Collector
BETTY ANN deMELLO

Land Agents
SELECTMEN

Librarian
ELAINE KARKHECK

Police
CARL J. PEBBLES, SR.

Health Officers
SELECTMEN

Auditor
PAUL M. BUCK, CPA

Trustee of Trust Funds
BARBARA HOBART

Library Trustees
BARBARA HOBART

ZELMA WATTS

Constable
PETER deMELLO

Fire Warden
C. DENIS MATTHEWS
Deputy Wardens

JAMES PARRIS
FLOYD COLBY, SR.

JAMES ALBERT
PERLEY WOODWARD

Civil Defense
FRAZER NEWBERRY

Secretary to the Selectmen
VERNA MATTHEWS from March to 10/12/72

Supervisors of the Check List
LILLIAN COLBY to 11/72
LOUISE CLANCY to 11/72
VERNA MATTHEWS to 10/72
ELAINE KARKHECK from 11/72 to expire in 1978
JUDITH DILL from 11/72 to expire in 1976

Surplus Food Agent
VERNA MATTHEWS to 10/72 JUDITH DILL from 10/72

TOWN WARRANT**State of New Hampshire**

To the Inhabitants of the Town of Groton in the County of Grafton in said State, qualified to vote in Town Affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at Town House in said Groton on Tuesday, the sixth day of March, next at 3:00 of the clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the year ensuing.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray Town charges for the ensuing year and make appropriations of the same.

3. To see if the Town will vote to give a 2 percent discount for payment of taxes paid within 15 days after Tax Collector's mailing date.

4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to dispose of or administer any real estate acquired by the Tax Collector's deeds.

5. To see if the Town will vote to raise \$1,000.00 to be placed in the Capital Reserve Fund for a new truck.

6. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to borrow money in anticipation of Taxes.

7. To see if the Town will raise the sum of \$294.82 and the State contribute \$1,965.48 for Class IV and V construction.

8. To see if the Town will vote to discontinue the election of the office of Road Agent and transfer this office to come under the Board of Selectmen as follows:

A. The Road Agent will be paid at the rate of \$2.50 per hour for a 40 hour work week. Insurance will be paid by the Town to cover the person hired. All extra help required by the Road Agent must be cleared through the Selectmen.

B. During the winter months any overtime worked will be

taken off as compensatory time after 40 hours.

C. All equipment not belonging to the Town hired for work must be cleared through the Board of Selectmen.

D. A general outline of work for the Road Agent is to be gone over by the Selectmen and Road Agent each week at the Selectmen's meetings.

9. To see if the Town will vote whether to discontinue the practice of the Road Agent selecting the second small vehicle to plow driveways or revert to the Selectmen selecting said vehicle.

10. To see if the Town will appropriate \$3,500.00 for a powered sanding body for the Town truck. To be purchased by the Selectmen with approval from the road agent.

11. To see if the Town will vote to raise \$1,500.00 to be used for the purchase of road equipment for the ensuing year. This is in addition to article No. 5 (requesting funds for our capital reserve fund.)

12. To see if the Town will vote to raise \$2,500.00 for the sealing of roads. Road sealing to be done during the months of July and August only. Also to specify the road or roads to be done.

A. Cheever Road

B. Sculptured Rock Road.

13. To see if the Town will appropriate \$500.00 to be used in replacing the heater in the Selectmen's Office.

14. To see if the Town will raise \$300.00 to be used on the care of the cemeteries. The first one being the cemetery on the River Road.

15. To see if the Town will vote to continue plowing driveways, but changing the fee to a flat \$25.00 per driveway.

16. To see if the Town will vote to continue the office of the Secretary. The rate of pay being \$2.00 per hour and not to exceed \$300.00 a year for his or her services.

17. To see if the Town will vote to accept or reject the Groton School house from the Newfound Area School District.

18. (By request) To see if the Town will vote to re-accept the Dodge Road from the Main road as far as Charles Matthews home.

19. To see if the Town will vote to join the Newfound Area Ambulance Association and appropriate a sum of money not to exceed \$500.00 a year. The cost may be less since a budget has not been set by the association.

Appropriation of \$3,533.00 of Federal Revenue Sharing Payments to the Town of Groton

20. To see what sum the Town will vote to appropriate from the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund in procuring a new location for our Town Dump, since we can not burn after the year 1975.

21. To see what sum the Town will vote to appropriate from the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund towards a planning map, which has to be done by 1980.

22. To see what sum the Town will vote to appropriate from the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund towards a new powered body sander for the Town Truck.

23. To see what sum the Town will vote to appropriate from the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund and place it in our capital reserve fund for a new Town truck .

24. To transact any other business that may legally come be-

fore this meeting.

Given under our hands and seal, this 18th day of February, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and 73.

GEORGE H. KARKHECK
WENDELL LaFRENIERE
FRED HARRIS

Selectmen of Groton

A true copy of Warrant — Attest:

GEORGE H. KARKHECK
WENDELL LaFRENIERE
FRED HARRIS

Selectmen of Groton

Polls are open from 3:00 to 8:00 P. M.

Town Meeting will start at 6:00 P. M.

SUMMARY INVENTORY OF VALUATION

Land	\$ 785,750.00
Buildings	330,550.00
Public Utility, Electric	275,150.00
House Trailers, Mobile Homes and Travel Trailers Assessed as Personal Property — 38	45,050.00
Boats and Launches — 6	1,125.00
Total Valuation Before Exemptions Allowed	\$ 1,443,625.00
Elderly Exemptions, (No. 2)	\$ 3,500.00
Total Exemptions Allowed	3,500.00
Net Valuation on which Tax Rate is Computed	\$ 1,440,125.00
New England Power Co.	\$ 264,000.00
N. H. Electric Corp.	11,150.00
	—————\$275,150.00

Number of Inventories Distributed in 1972 280

Date 1972 Inventories Were Mailed March 28, 1972

Number of Inventories Returned in 1972 179

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF GROTON, N. H.

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year
January 1, 1973 to December 31, 1973

SECTION I PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATION	Actual Approp- Appropriations Expenditures Previous Previous Fiscal Yr. Fiscal Yr. Fiscal Yr. 1973 (1973-74)		
General Government:			
Town Officers' Salaries	\$2,000.00	\$1,972.15	\$2,000.00
Town Officers' Expenses	800.00	871.44	900.00
Election and Registration Expenses	600.00	834.45	400.00
Town Hall and Other Town Buildings	1000.00	278.46	1,000.00
Protection of Persons and Property:			
Police Department	500.00	431.20	500.00
Fire Department	400.00	34.36	200.00
Insurance	550.00	588.56	600.00
Damages and Legal Expense	200.00	131.30	250.00
Civil Defense	200.00		
Health Department:			
Vital Statistics	25.00		
Health Dept. — Pemi Baker	150.00	123.00	150.00
Town Dump and Garbage Removal	800.00	670.43	800.00
Highways and Bridges:			
Sealing	2,000.00	996.62	2,500.00
Town Maintenance — Summer	7,500.00	7,287.50	7,500.00
Winter	5,000.00	5,406.66	5,400.00
Street Lighting	170.00	170.35	200.00
General Expenses of Highway Department	1,000.00	1,353.95	1,700.00
Town Road Aid	297.90	297.90	294.82
Libraries:			
Surplus Food	300.00	191.98	250.00
Old Age Assistance	1,500.00	1,735.14	1,800.00
Recreation	250.00	90.00	200.00
Public Service Enterprises:			
Cemeteries	200.00	108.00	300.00
Debt Service:			
Interest on Temporary Loans	400.00	431.42	400.00
Capital Outlay (List Below):			

New Equipment	1,500.00	1,072.00	4,500.00
Discounts & Abatements		71.46	
Boat Tax — To State		1.26	
Taxes to County		5,159.64	5,200.00
Residents Taxes		360.90	
School Payments		18,611.90	19,000.00
Payment to Capital Reserve			
Funds — trucks	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Deficit of Prev. Year	4,560.74		
	<hr/>	<hr/>	<hr/>
Total Appropriations	\$33,253.64		\$57,194.82

BUDGET OF THE TOWN OF GROTON, N. H.

SECTION II SOURCES OF REVENUE	Estimated		
	Estimated	Actual	Estimated
	Revenue	Revenue	Revenue
	Previous	Previous	Ensnig
	Fiscal Yr.	Fiscal Yr.	Fiscal Yr.
			1973
			(1972-74)
From State:			
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$ 140.00	\$ 224.01	\$ 225.00
Stock and Trade	80.00		
Savings Bank Tax	50.00	61.00	65.00
Meals and Rooms Tax	539.61	614.98	615.00
Highway Subsidy (Cl. IV and V)			
Duncan Fund	730.60	751.52	1,143.02
Reimb., Forest land, State & Fed.	490.00	705.25	706.00
Reimb., Old Age Assist.		129.73	
Reim. a/c Bus. Prof. Tax (Town Port.)	75.00	126.63	126.00
Gas Tax	3,547.90	3,552.82	3,531.47
From Local Sources:			
Dog Licenses	50.00	63.00	60.00
Bus. Licenses, Permits & Fees		28.00	10.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	1,500.00	1,731.90	1,600.00
Interest on Taxes & Deposits		173.32	160.00
Resident Tax Penalties		12.00	
Tax Sale Redemption Cost		4.44	
Resident Taxes Retained	400.00	790.00	400.00
Normal Yield Taxes Assessed — Bond		100.00	
Property Taxes 1972		49,032.58	
Sale of Town Property		101.00	
Snowplowing	600.00	705.00	1,000.00
Reim. Hebron's Share Surplus Food	20.00		
Longyear Foundation	150.00	150.00	150.00
From Federal Sources:			
Revenue Sharing		1,043.00	2,040.00
Total Revenues From All Sources			
Except Property Taxes	\$8,373.11	\$60,100.18	
Total Revenues			\$11,831.49

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND TAXES ASSESSED
TOWN OF GROTON

Town Officers Salaries	\$2,000.00
Town Office Administrative Expenses	800.00
Election and Registration Expenses	600.00
Town Hall and Buildings Maintenance	1,000.00
Police Department	500.00
Fire Department	400.00
Insurance	550.00
Damages and Legal Expenses	200.00
Civilian Defense	200.00
Health Department	150.00
Vital Statistics	25.00
Sealing Roads	2,000.00
Dump and Garbage Collection	800.00
Town Maintenance	12,500.00
Street Lighting	170.00
General Expenses of Highway Department	1,000.00
Town Road Aid	298.00
Libraries	350.00
Old Age Assistance	1,500.00
Public Relief	300.00
Parks and Playgrounds inc. Band Concerts	250.00
Cemeteries	200.00
New Equipment	1,500.00
Payment on Debt	400.00
Capital Reserve Fund	1,000.00
Deficit — Previous Year	4,561.00
Total Town Appropriation	\$33,254.00

Less: Estimated Revenues and Credits	
Interest and Dividends Tax	\$ 224.00
Savings Bank Tax	61.00
Highway Subsidy	3,548.00
Meals and Rooms Tax	625.00
Reimb., a/c State and Fed. Lands	490.00
Busi. Lic., Permits and Filing Fees	22.00
Dog Licenses	61.00
Motor Vehicle Permit Fees	1,500.00
Rent of Town Prop. and Equip.	600.00
Income from Trust Funds, Duncan Fund	730.00
Sale of Tax Deeded Property	101.00

Water and Elec. Depts., Reimb. O.A.A.	130.00	
Resident Taxes Retained	435.00	
Surplus Fund — Hebron	30.00	
Long Year Foundation	150.00	
Total Revenues and Credits		<hr/> \$3,707.00 <hr/>
Net Town Appropriations		\$24,547.00
Net School Appropriations		18,611.90
County Tax Assessment		5,159.64
Total of Town, School and County		<hr/> \$48,318.54 <hr/>
Deduct: Reimb. a/c Prop Exempted		
1970 Spec. Session		169.00
Add: War Service Tax Credits		650.00
Add: Overlay		1,604.84
Property Taxes To Be Raised		<hr/> \$50,404.38 <hr/>
Property Taxes to be Committed to Collector:		
Gross Property Taxes	\$50,404.38	
Less: w/Serv. Tax Cr.	650.00	
Total Tax Commitment	<hr/> \$49,754.38 <hr/>	

Town Tax Rate — \$3.50

SUMMARY OF VALUATIONS AND TAXES TO BE ASSESSED FOR THE TAX YEAR 1972

Net Appropriations	
Newfound Area School	\$18,568.00
War Service Tax Credits	
Qualified person, a/c \$50 — 13	650.00
Resident Taxes, a/c \$10.00 — 79	790.00
Retained by Town	\$435.00

SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY

Description	Value
Town Hall, Lands and Buildings	\$ 2,500.00
Furniture and Equipment	1,900.00
Libraries, Lands and Buildings	1,500.00
Furniture and Equipment	1,500.00
Police Department	200.00
Fire Department, Equipment	200.00
Highway Department 1971 Mod. 700 Int. Truck & Wing	8,100.00
Town Dump	400.00
Selectmen's Office	1,500.00
Total	<hr/> \$17,800.00

BALANCE SHEET**— Assets —**

Cash		\$ 8,931.33
Uncollected Taxes:		
Property	\$ 4,080.55	
Residents	210.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 4,290.55
Accounts Receivable:		
State of N. H.	\$ 673.67	
Accrued Interest	30.75	
Other	7.16	
	<hr/>	\$ 711.58
Prepaid Insurance		298.44
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Total Assets		\$ 14,231.90

Liabilities and Surplus:

State of N. H. - Uncollected Res. Tax	\$ 94.50
Accrued Expenses	625.18
School District Tax Payable	8,609.81
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Total Liabilities	\$ 9,329.49
Current Surplus	4,902.41
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Total Liabilities and Surplus	\$ 14,231.90

REPORT OF TOWN CLERK**Jan. 1, 1972 to Dec. 31, 1972**

Received from 1971 Auto. Reg.		\$77.21	
Received from 1972 Auto Reg.	\$1,654.69		
Less reimb. from Selectmen on overpayment to Treas.-Slip 56	- 1.00	1,653.69	
Total			\$1,730.90
Received from Dog Licenses		69.00	
Less Clerk's Fees		6.00	
Total			\$63.00
Received from Snowplowing			
Driveways:			\$705.00
Paid to treasurer			\$2,498.90

Respectfully submitted,
BETTY ANN deMELLO
 Town Clerk

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

SUMMARY OF WARRANTS
Property, Resident and Yield Taxes
Levy of 1972

— DR —

Taxes Committed to Collector

Property Taxes	\$49,769.58	
Resident Taxes	780.00	
Total Warrants	—————	\$50,549.58

Added Taxes:

Property Taxes	\$39.75	
Resident Taxes	20.00	
Total	—————	\$59.75

Interest Collected on Delinquent

Property Taxes	.10	
Total Debits	—————	\$50,609.43

— CR —

Remittances to Treasurer:

Property Taxes	\$44,973.81	
Resident Taxes	570.00	
Interest Collected	.10	
Total	—————	\$45,543.91

Discounts Allowed	681.72	
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Abatements Made During Year:

Property Taxes	\$73.25	
Resident Taxes	20.00	
Total	—————	\$93.25

Uncollected Taxes - December 31, 1972:

(As Per Collector's list)

Property Taxes	\$4,080.55	
Resident Taxes	210.00	
Total	—————	\$4,290.55
Total Credits	—————	\$50,609.43

SUMMARY OF WARRANTS
Property, Resident and Yield Taxes
Levy of 1971

— DR —

Uncollected Taxes - As of Jan. 1, 1972:

Property Taxes	\$2,518.94
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Resident Taxes	110.00	
Total	————	\$2,628.94
Added Taxes:		
Property Taxes	\$134.75	
Resident Taxes	10.00	
Total	————	\$144.75
Interest Collected on Delinquent		
Property Taxes:	142.47	
Penalties Collected on Resident		
Taxes:	12.00	
Total	————	\$154.47
Total Debits	————	\$2,928.16

— CR —

**Remittances to Treasurer During Fiscal
Year Ending December 31, 1972**

Property Taxes	\$2,494.46	
Resident Taxes	120.00	
Interest Collected During Year	142.47	
Penalties on Resident Taxes	12.00	
Total	————	\$2,768.93
Abatements Made During Year:		
Property Taxes	159.23	
Total	————	\$159.23
Total Credits	————	\$2,928.16

**1972 Unpaid Property Taxes as of
December 31, 1972**

Adams, Nicholas and Gertrude	\$91.00
Adams, Richard and Pauline	89.25
Adams, Paula	77.00
Albert, Lewis and Helen	82.12
Blodgett, Chester	8.75
Clancy, Richard W.	143.50
Hikel, Nolan	532.00
Hutchins, Clifton	21.00
Matthews, Charles	21.00
Dill, Ralph and Judith-Partial Pay.	96.91
Newberry, Teresa and Frazer	103.25
Ortalini, Arthur and Patricia	163.75
Vigneau, John and Joslyn, Deanna	70.00
Camp Forest Hills	619.50
Card, Joseph and Pierce - Partial Pay.	193.25

Cashman, James and Noyes, Charles	38.50
Charles, Elimenes	3.50
Cripps, James	3.50
Cross, James and Dorothy	108.50
Drown, Engeborg	24.50
French, John and Hall, Samuel	228.37
George, Jessie and Abbie	3.00
Ortalin, Arthur	205.65
Hall, Est. of Anne	84.00
Harty, William	61.25
Holusin Lodge Assoc.	98.00
Kmiec, Beatrice	3.50
Langley, Harold and Noffle, Walter	3.50
Latulippe Jr., Rene and Dorothy	89.25
Latulippe Sr., Rene and Adriene	294.00
McElhinney, Michael and Esther	26.25
Monroe, Jacqueline	24.50
Nelson, Graham, and Mary	248.50
Osgood, Fred and Terrill, Harry	43.75
Oshrin, Alan and Brian	10.50
Riordon, Charles, and Vandine. Pauline	28.00
Salsman, Alice and Elmer and Bryar, Ella	3.50
Seavey, Christopher	3.50
Seavey, Shirley	7.00
Shaw, Herbert and Patricia	21.00
Wattson, John P.	12.25
White, Archie	15.75
Yaroush, Richard and Josephine	61.25
Adams, Richard	3.50
	\$4,080.55

"I hereby certify that the above list showing the name and amount due from each delinquent taxpayer, as of December 31, 1972, on account of the tax levy of 1972, is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief."

BETTY ANN deMELLO
Tax Collector

Resident Taxes Unpaid December 31, 1972
Year of assessment 1972

Adams, Paula
Albert, Lewis

Albert, Helen
 Blodgett, Chester
 Clancy, Richard W.
 Crocker, Lance
 Crocker, Catherine
 Matthews, C. Denis
 Matthews, Verna
 Matthews, Charles
 Matthews, Roland
 May, Henry
 Newberry, Frazer
 Newberry, Theresa
 Ortalini, Arthur
 Ortalini, Patricia
 Parris, James
 Parris, Joan
 Wakefield, Bruce
 Wakefield, Mary
 Carter, David
 21 unpaid for 1972.

"I hereby certify that the above list showing the names of each delinquent taxpayer in the amount of \$10.00 plus penalties, as of December 31, 1972, on account of the tax (resident) levy of 1972, is correct to the best of my knowledge and belief."

BETTY ANN deMELLO
 Tax Collector

Summary of Tax Sales Accounts
Fiscal Year Ended Dec. 31, 1972

— DR —	
Tax Sale on Account of Levies	1972
Redemption Costs (only)	\$4.44
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	\$4.44
Total Debits	\$4.44
— CR —	
Remittances of Treasurer During Year	1972
Redemption	\$4.44
	<hr/>
Total Credits	\$4.44
Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1972	\$11.29
Cash received for Petty cash fund	

from Selectmen Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 1972	75.00	
	<hr/>	\$86.29
Expenditures		75.27
		<hr/>
Balance (cash on hand as of 12/31/72		\$11.02

BETTY ANN deMELLO

Town Clerk and Tax Collector

REPORT OF TREASURER**Receipts:****Betty deMello, Collector:**

1971 Residents Tax	\$ 120.00
1971 Property Tax	2,494.46
1971 Interest	81.97
1971 Resident Tax Penalties	12.00
1971 Interest and Cost of Advertising Tax Sale	60.50
1972 Residents Tax	570.00
1972 Property Tax	44,973.81
1972 Interest	.10
Taxes Redeemed	4.44

State of New Hampshire:

Gasoline Tax	3,552.82
Reimbursement a/c Old Age	129.73
Business Profits Tax	126.63
Savings Bank Tax	61.00
Duncan Fund	730.60
Interest and Dividends Tax	224.01
Reimbursement a/c TRA	198.00
Town Share, Rooms and Meals Tax	614.93
Reimb. a/c State Owned Rec. Lands	52.50

Pemigewasset National Bank:

Temporary Loans	23,000.00
Credit Due to Error in Computing	
Service Charge	1.41

Treasurer of the United States:

Revenue Sharing Fund	1,043.00
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Town Clerk:

1971 Motor Vehicle Permits	77.21
1972 Motor Vehicle Permits	1,654.69
Dog Tax	63.00
Plowing Driveways	690.00

Bonnie Albert, Treasurer:

1971 Plowing Driveway	15.00
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Selectmen:

Pistol Permits	26.00
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Explosive License	2.00
Brown & Saltmarsh, Inc:	
Returned Check No. 1118	22.45
Longyear Foundation:	
Contribution to Town	150.00
Bert P. Ball:	
Timber Tax Assessment	100.00
Town of Hebron:	
Reimb. for Hebron's Share of Surplus Food	40.65
Jimmie D. McLaughlin:	
Sale of Town Grader	101.00
Total	<hr/> \$30,993.96
Cash in Hand January 1, 1972	1,376.98
Grand Total	<hr/> \$32,370.94

Payments:	
Selectmen's Orders Paid	\$73,436.83
Bank Service Charge	2.78
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Balance	\$73,439.61
	\$ 8,931.33

Respectfully submitted,
 BONNIE LEE ALBERT
 Treasurer

Revenues and Expenses recognized but not paid or received
 as of December 31, 1972. (Not shown in Treasurer's Report)

Receipts

Town of Hebron-Reimb. of Surplus Food	7.16	
State of N. H.-Reimb. of Taxes on		
State and Fed. Forest Lands for 1972	652.75	
	<hr/>	\$659.91

Expenses

Election and Registration	
Printing for Supervisors	43.50

Surplus Food		
Thru Dec. 31, 1972	23.88	
Old Age Assistance for 12/31/72	83.83	
Insurance - Increase in Workmen's Comp.		
from Sept.-Dec. 31, 1972	219.00	
New Equipment		
Adding Machine	199.97	
Wing for Truck	50.00	
	<hr/>	\$625.18

STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENSES

Town of Groton

Year Ended December 31, 1972

Revenues:

1972 Property Tax	\$ 49,032.58
State of N. H.	6,165.94
Registration of M. V.	1,731.90
Federal Rev. Sharing	1,043.00
1972 Residents Tax	790.00
Snowplowing - Driveways	705.00
Interest Income	177.76
Gifts	150.00
Sale of Town Property	101.00
Yield Tax	100.00
Dog Licenses	63.00
Pistol Permits	28.00
Head Tax Penalties	12.00
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	\$ 63,100.18

Expenditures:

School District Tax	\$ 18,611.90
Summer Roads	7,287.50
State and County	5,521.80
Winter Roads	5,406.66
Town Officers' Salaries	1,972.15
Old Age Assistance	1,735.14
General Expenses - Highway	1,358.95
New Equipment	1,072.00
Capital Reserve Fund	1,000.00
Sealing Roads	996.62
Town Officers' Expenses	871.44
Election and Registration	834.45
Town Dump	670.43
Insurance	538.56
Interest Expense	431.42
Police	431.20
Town Road Aid	297.90
Town Buildings	278.46
Libraries	350.00
Damages and Legal	131.30

Health Dept.	123.00
Miscellaneous Expenditures	558.15
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	(\$50,637.03)
Excess of Revenues Over Expenditures	\$ 9,463.15

STATEMENT OF SURPLUS

Town of Groton
Year Ended December 31, 1972

Deficit@ January 1, 1972	(\$4,560.74)
Excess of Revenues over Expenditures y/e December 31, 1972	9,463.15
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Surplus @ December 31, 1972	\$ 4,902.41

SUMMARY OF REVENUE

Current Revenue**From Local Taxes**

Property Taxes 1972	\$49,032.58	
Residents Taxes 1972	790.00	
Interest on Delinquent Taxes	173.32	
Penalties	12.00	
Tax Sales - Redemption cost	4.44	
Yield Tax - Bond	100.00	
	<hr/>	\$50,112.34

From State**For Highways and Bridges**

Class V Maintenance	751.52	
Highway Subsidy - Gas Tax	3,552.82	
Savings Bank Tax	61.00	
Interest and Dividends Tax	224.01	
Reimb. State and Fed Forest Land	705.25	
Reimb. Old Age Assistance	129.73	
Meals and Rooms Tax	614.98	
Reimb. Business Profits Tax	126.63	
	<hr/>	\$6,165.94

From Federal Government

Federal Revenue Sharing	1,043.00	1,043.00
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From Local Sources Except Taxes

Dog Licenses	63.00	
Pistol Permits	28.00	
Snowplowing Fees	705.00	
Motor Vehicle Permits	1,731.90	
Sale Town Property	101.00	
	<hr/>	\$2,628.90

Gifts

Long Year Foundation		150.00
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Total Revenue from All Sources		<hr/> \$60,100.18
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SUMMARY OF EXPENSES**Current Maintenance Expenses****General Government**

Town Officers Salaries	\$1,972.15
Town Officers Expenses	871.44
Election and Registration Expenses	834.45
Expenses Town Hall and other Town Bldgs.	278.46

Protection of Persons and Property

Police Department	431.20
Fire Dept. Inc. Forest Fires	34.36
Insurance	588.56

Health

Health Department	123.00
Town Dump	670.43

Highways and Bridges

Town Road Aid	297.90
Sealing	996.62
Summer including Duncan Fund	7,287.50
Winter	5,406.66
Street Lighting	170.35
General Expenses of Highway Dept.	1,358.95
Libraries	350.00
Public Welfare Old Age Assistance	1,735.14
Surplus Food	191.98

Public Service Enterprises

Cemeteries	108.00
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Unclassified

Legal and Damage Expenses	131.30
Refunds and Abatements	71.46
Parks and Recreation	90.00

Debt Service

Interest on Tax Anticipation Notes	431.42
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Capital Outlay

New Equipment	1,072.00
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Payments on Capital Reserve Fund	1,000.00
Payments to other Govt. Divisions	
Residents Taxes Paid State	360.90
Boat Tax	1.26
Taxes Paid to County	5,159.64
Payments to School District	18,611.90
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Total Payments for All Purposes	\$50,637.03

DETAILED EXPENSES**Town Officers Salaries and Wages**

Appropriation	\$2,000.00
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Expenditures

C. Denis Matthews, Selectman	200.00
George Karkheck, Selectman	279.18
Frazer Newberry, Selectman	100.00
Fred Harris, Selectman	108.34
Wendell LaFreniere, Selectman	62.50
Verna Matthews, Secretary	272.25
Betty deMello, Secretary	27.75
Betty deMello, Town Clerk	75.00
Betty deMello, Tax Collector	
Residents Fees	485.13
Betty deMello, Car Registration	142.00
Bonnie Lee Albert, Treasurer	200.00
Barbara Hobart, Trustee	20.00
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	\$1,972.15

Town Officers Expenses

Appropriations	800.00
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Expenditures

Office Supplies and Postage	86.07
Charles Wood, Transfers	52.63
Trips to Bank	39.00
Repairs	20.00
Sel. to attend meeting N.H. Munic.	20.40
Trips and Phone Calls	96.32
Maps	21.65
Auditing	227.25
Membership Dues	75.50
Publications and Notices	39.80
Books, Bills and Ballots	113.99
Books, Bills and Ballots	2.78
Petty Cash for Town Clerk and Tax	
Col. (for stamps and office supplies)	75.00
Reimb. to Town Clerk on overpayment	

to Treasurer slip no. 56	1.00
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	\$871.44
Election and Registration Expenses	
Appropriation	630.00
Expenditures	
Printing Town Reports	322.85
Wages	442.30
Auditing and Supplies	69.30
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	\$834.45
 Town Hall and Other Town Buildings	
Appropriation	1,000.00
Expenditures	
Lights	68.78
Janitor	18.00
Fuel and Gas	185.45
Cleaning Supplies	6.23
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	\$278.46
 Police	
Appropriation	500.00
Expenditures - Wages and mileage	431.20
 Fire Including Forest Fires	
Appropriations	400.00
Expenditures - Wages for attending meetings	34.36
 Insurance	
Appropriations	550.00
Expenditures	
Bonds	58.98
Insurance	529.58
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	\$588.56
 Civil Defense	
Appropriation	200.00

Expenditures	.00
Health Department	
Appropriation	150.00
Expenditures - Pemi Baker Health (for Health Nurse)	123.00
Vital Statistics	
Appropriation	25.00
Expenditures	.00
Town Dump and Garbage Removal	
Appropriation	800.00
Expenditures	
Wages	630.43
Bulldozer	40.00
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	\$670.43
Street Lighting	
Appropriations	170.00
Expenditures	170.35
Town Road Aid	
Appropriations - Town's Share	297.90
Expenditures - To State of N. H.	297.90
General Expenditures of Highway Dept.	
Appropriation	1,030.00
Expenditures	
Gas and oil	337.68
Repairs, truck and wing and Inspec.	541.85
Salt	11.24
Bridge Planks .	24.93
Parts for Truck and Wing	393.25
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	1,358.95
Libraries	
Appropriation	350.00
Expenditures	350.00

Old Age Assistance

Appropriations	1,500.00
Expenditures	1,735.14

Surplus Food

Appropriations	300.00
Expenditures	
Wages	98.49
Cost of Food	93.49
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	\$191.93

Sealing

Appropriations	2,000.00
Expenditures	
Road Tar	550.63
Wages	259.89
Tractor	20.00
Sand	22.50
Rent of Equipment and Truck	103.60
Backhoe	40.00
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	\$996.62

Recreation, Parks and Playgrounds

Appropriations	250.00
Expenditures	90.00

Cemeteries

Appropriations	200.00
Expenditures	108.00

Legal Damage Fees

Appropriations	200.00
Expenditures	131.30

Interest

Appropriations	400.00
Expenditures	431.42

New Equipment	
Appropriation	1,500.00
Expenditures	
Adding Machine	199.97
2 File Cabinets, fireproof	762.11
Conference Table (Select. Office)	59.92
Wing Town Truck	50.00
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	\$1,072.00

Capital Reserve Fund	
Appropriations	1,000.00
Expenditures	1,000.00

State and County	
Appropriations	5,159.64
Expenditures	
Boat Tax	1.26
County Tax	5,159.64
Residents Tax	360.90
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	\$5,521.80

Unclassified	
Appropriations	
Expenditures - Refunds and Abatements	71.46

Summer Roads, Inc. Duncan Fund and Gas Tax	
Appropriation	7,500.00
Expenditures	
Labor	1,392.91
Backhoe	635.00
Dozer	35.60
Gasoline	160.08
Truck	387.20
Mowing Machine	130.50
Power Saw	26.50
Sand	27.90
Tractor	270.00
Grader	33.00
Loader	58.20
Rent Town of Hebron's Road Machine	90.00

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Duncan Fund	\$3,246.89
Gas Tax, Labor	512.67
Power Saw	903.07
Backhoe	116.50
Truck	421.00
Culverts	90.00
Sealing Tar	648.98
Sand	980.17
Grader	34.00
Cold Patch	196.50
	104.72
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	3,527.94
Total	<hr/>
	\$7,287.50

Duncan Fund		<u>3,246.89</u>
Gas Tax, Labor	903.07	512.67
Power Saw	116.50	
Backhoe	421.00	
Truck	90.00	
Culverts	648.98	
Sealing Tar	980.17	
Sand	34.00	
Grader	196.50	
Cold Patch	104.72	
Dozer	<u>33.00</u>	
Total		<u>3,527.94</u>
		27,287.50

	<u>3,527.94</u>
Total	\$7,287.50

Winter Roads**Expenditures**

Appropriations	5,000.00
Labor	3,417.43
Oil and Gasoline	371.23
Tractor	39.00
Oshkosh	302.00
Salt	195.00
Plowing of Town House	64.00
Towing Charge	15.00
Sand	135.00
Small Truck a/c 6.50 per hr.	725.00
Backhoe	94.00
Jeep Truck	31.00
Mileage, Trips for parts	18.00

Total	<u>\$5,406.66</u>
Expenditures	23,000.00

Newfound Area School District

Appropriations	18,611.90
Expenditures	18,304.22

TRUSTEE'S FUNDS

Town of Groton	Year Ended December 31, 1972			
	Balance	Additions	Interest	Balance
	12/31/72	To Principal	12/31/72	12/31/72
Cyrus Blood Fund	\$ 140.47		\$ 8.96	\$ 149.43
George Hall Fund	249.16		15.93	265.09
North Groton Cemetery	342.83		21.94	364.77
Marjorie Warner Fund	286.95		18.33	305.28
Capital Reserve Fund	164.89	\$ 1,000	25.23	1,190.12
Total	\$ 1,184.30	\$ 1,000	\$ 90.39	\$ 2,274.69

REPORT OF TRUST FUNDS IN THE TOWN OF GROTON N.H. ON DEC. 31 1972

Date of Creation	Name of Trust Fund	Purpose of Trust Fund	How Invested	New Funds Created	Bal. Prin. End of Year	Int. Inc. Beg. of Year	During Year	Accrued Interest	Balance Interest
Unknown	Cyrus Blood Fund	Care of Cyrus Blood Lot in Rolfe Hill Cem.	The Plymouth Guaranty Savings Bank No. 25171	\$50.00	\$90.47		\$7.12	\$1.84	\$99.43
Unknown	George Hall Fund	Care of Lot in Union Cemetery	The Plymouth Guaranty Savings Bank No. 23172	100.00	149.16		12.67	3.26	165.09
Unknown	N. Groton Cemetery Fund	Care of Cemetery	The Plymouth Guaranty Savings Bank No. 36736	231.98	110.85		17.44	4.50	132.79
10/29/69	Capital Reserve Fund	Purchase of Town Truck	The Bristol Savings Bank No. 21646	\$1000.00	1000.00		10.47	14.76	190.12
3/21/60	Marjorie Warner Fund	Purchase of read- ing matter for Groton Library	The Bristol Savings Bank No. 18952	200.00	86.95		14.57	3.76	105.28
TOTALS				\$1000.00	\$1581.98	\$602.32	\$62.27	\$28.12	\$692.71
Note: There were no expenditures during the year.									

This is to certify that the information contained in this report is complete and correct, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

BARBARA HOBART, Trustee

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

Books owned January 1972	2,405
Library	7
State	0
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	2,412
Books borrowed from Bookmobile	Approx. 446
 Services:	
Volumes of Fiction Loaned	338
Volumes of Non-Fiction	45
Volumes of Juvenile	85
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Total	468
Regular Borrowers	17

Respectfully submitted,
 ELAINE KARKHECK
 Librarian

REPORT OF LIBRARY TREASURER**Payments Jan. 1, 1972 to Dec. 31, 1972**

Elaine Karkheck, Salary	\$92.25
N. H. Electric Coop., Inc., Lights	75.41
Chas. A. Carr Co., Fuel	101.05
Readers Digest Book, Secrets of the Sea	11.64
Allan Matthews, Shovel Snow	6.75
Elaine Karkheck, Cleaning Library	5.00
Check Book	2.50
Stamps	2.00
Total Payments	\$296.60

Balance	160.64
Grand Total	\$457.24

Receipts Jan. 1, 1972 to Dec. 31, 1972

Cash on hand	\$107.24
Selectmen, Appropriation	350.00
Total	\$457.24

Respectfully submitted,
BARBARA HOBART
 Library Treasurer

LIBRARY FUND**Town of Groton****Year Ended December 31, 1972**

Balance @ January 1, 1972	\$ 107.24
Appropriations During Year	350.00
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Funds Available	\$ 457.24
Expenditures During Year	(296.60)
Balance @ December 31, 1972	\$ 160.64

REPORT OF THE FOREST FIRE WARDEN AND DISTRICT CHIEF

In New Hampshire, forest fire control is a cooperative State-town program. The Town Forest Fire Warden, appointed by the Director, Division of Resources Development upon recommendation of the Selectmen and the State's District Forest Fire Chief is responsible for fire suppression and other related duties. The State shares equally with the town in the cost of most forest fires, except illegal and careless fires, which are charged to the responsible party. The State further provides fire detection services, prevention programs, fire training for town wardens and crew, and back up equipment for fire suppression.

By authority of the State, the Town Forest Fire Warden controls all outside burning in his town except backyard cooking fires. Any person wishing to kindle a fire when the ground is not covered with snow must obtain a fire permit, free of cost, from the Town Forest Fire Warden. No permits will be issued for fires between 9:00 A. M. and 5:00 P. M., unless it is raining, except for commercial purposes

Please be careful when using fire, remember it can be an extremely useful tool when under control but once allowed to run wild it can become a disastrous and devastating force. Only you can prevent a forest fire.

Fires Reported in 1972

State	410 fires	361 acres burned
District	9 fires	2½ acres burned
Town	1 T. V.	0

District Chief
JOHN Q. RICARD
Canaan, N. H.

Forest Fire Warden
LYLE R. GALE
Alexandria, N. H.

VITAL STATISTICS**— Marriages —**

In Groton, N. H. November 25, 1972 by Richard W. Clancy,
Justice of the Peace, Carol Joan Slavin and Charles Richard
Matthews.

— Deaths —

In Plymouth, N. H. January 22, 1972, Edgar Joseph Albert,
age 48.

In Haverhill, N. H. March 11, 1972, Hattie Matthews, age
94.

In Bristol, N. H. July 16, 1972, Roseanna Casidy Corbeil,
age 64.

In Plymouth, N. H. August 3, 1972, Rev. Clement Bancroft
Yinger, age 66.

I hereby certify that the above records are true to the best
of my knowledge and belief.

BETTY ANN deMELLO
Town Clerk

